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SUBJ: SOVIET ANTI-ZIONISM SHADES INTO OVERT ANTI-SEMITISM
1. SUMMARY. A VIRULENT DIATRIBE AGAINST ZIONISM PUBLISHED
BY SOVETSKAYA KUL'TURA ON MAY 14 SUCCEEDS IN CROSSING THE
LINE INTO OVERT ANTI-SEMITISM. AND ARTICLE BY BORIS KOZLOV
ENTITLED "MR. WIESENTHAL'S FIRM" FOCUSED ON THE LIFE AND
ACTIVITIES OF SIMON WIESENTHAL WITH THE OSTENSIBLE PURPOSE
OF DEMONSTRATING (A) THAT WIESENTHAL'S CAREER OF TRACKING
DOWN NAZI WAR CRIMINALS IN FACT CONCEALED A SHADY PAST
INVOLVING COLLABORATION WITH THE VERY NAZIS HE WAS SUPPOSEDLY
SEEKING TO BRING TO JUSTICE, AND (B) THAT THE "JEWISH DOCUMENTA-
TION CENTER" HE FOUNDED IN FACT SERVED AS AN ARM OF
ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE. KOZLOV ALSO LINKS ZIONIST ACTIVISTS --
PARTICULARLY THE JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE (JDL) -- TO TERRORIST,
CRIMINAL, AND INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES. END SUMMARY.

2. SOVETSKAYA KUL'TURA ON MAY 14 PUBLISHED A DIATRIBE
AGAINST ZIONISM CONTAINING OVERT ANTI-SEMITIC LANGUAGE.
ITS AUTHOR, BORIS KOZLOV, OSTENSIBLY FOCUSED ON THE
LIFE AND ACTIVITIES OF SIMON WIESENTHAL AND HIS "JEWISH
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DOCUMENTATION CENTER". ACCORDING TO KOZLOV, WIESENTHAL'S CAREER OF TRACKING DOWN NAZI WAR CRIMINALS IN FACT CONCEALED A SHADY PAST WHEN "ZIONISTS WORKED UNDER THE SAME ROOF WITH THE GESTAPO." IN THE POSTWAR PERIOD, WIESENTHAL ALLEGEDLY ENGAGED IN ORGANIZING ZIONIST TERRORIST ACTIVITIES AGAINST THE SOCIALIST STATES AND IN RECRUITING JEWISH EMIGRES AND REFUGEES FOR THE ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE SERVICE. KOZLOV CHARACTERIZES THE "JEWISH DOCUMENTATION CENTER" AS A "BRANCH OF ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE DIRECTING ACTIVITIES AGAINST THE COUNTRIES OF THE SOCIALIST COMMONWEALTH."

3. TURNING TO WIESENTHAL'S WARTIME CAREER, KOZLOV CHARGES THAT HE "ACTIVELY COLLABORATED WITH THE HITLERITES AS THEIR AGENT AMONG PEOPLE OF JEWISH NATIONALITY." IN THE IMMEDIATE POSTWAR PERIOD, WHILE WORKING FOR U.S. OCCUPATION AUTHORITIES ALLEGEDLY TRACKING DOWN WAR CRIMINALS, WIESENTHAL IN REALITY ALLEGELY PROVIDED WAR CRIMINALS WITH COVER AND PROTECTION. IN 1954 HE ENTERED ISRAELI GOVERNMENT SERVICE WHERE HE USED HIS NAZI-HUNTING REPUTATION AS A COVER FOR INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES AND, INCIDENTALLY, FOR LINGING HIS POCKETS BY BLACKMAILING WELL-HEELED EX-NAZIS.

4. ACCORDING TO KOZLOV, WIESENTHAL'S RECENT ACTIVITIES INCLUDED THE ORGANIZATION OF A "COMMITTEE FOR JEWISH QUESTION IN THE SOVIET UNION" WHICH UNDERTOOK TO CONDUCT ANTI-SOVIET AND PRO-ZIONIST ACTIVITIES IN THE NAME OF SOVIET JEWS. HIS HAND WAS ALSO APPARENT IN ZIONIST SPONSORSHIP OF TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS THE JDL, CONTROLLED, OF COURSE, BY ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE AND SUPPORTED WITH FINANCIAL AID OF IMPERIALIST CIRCLES. THIS ORGANIZATION ORGANIZES POLITICAL MURDERS, KIDNAPS DIPLOMATS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, AND ORGANIZES BANDITLIKE PROVOCATIONS AROUND EMBASSIES. ITS ACTIVITIES INCLUDE LINKS WITH ORGANIZED CRIME (DRUG TRAFFIC AND MAFIA) AND TERRORISM ON A WORLD-WIDE SCALE.

5. "THIS," CONCLUDES KOZLOV, "IS ZIONISM'S REAL FACE. THIS IS THE RELIGION OF THE 'GOD-CHOSEN RACE' IN ITS UNSEEMLY ESSENCE." ZIONISM THUS BECOMES "THE SPIRITUAL INHERITOR OF NAZISM." THE U.S. RESOLUTION BRANDING ZIONISM AS A FORM

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OF RACISM WAS THEREFORE, IN KOZLOV'S VIEW, FULLY JUSTIFIED.

6. COMMENT: THE REPRESENTATION OF ZIONISM AS A SINISTER CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY IN KOZLOV'S ARTICLE IS HARDLY A NEW THEME IN SOVIET PROPAGANDA. NEVERTHELESS, THE ARTICLE'S SHRILL TONE AND LINKAGE OF SOVIET JEWISH EMIGREES, JDL TERRORISM, AND ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE HAS THE EFFECT OF BRANDING ANY SOVIET JEW WHO SEEKS CONTACT WITH JEWS ABROAD, OR WHO WISHES TO EMIGRATE, AS EITHER A PAWN OF ZIONISTS OR, EVEN WORSE, AS A POTENTIAL ZIONIST AGENT. THE SECOND TARGET IS OF COURSE THE JDL, WHICH IS PORTRAYED IN LURID HUES AS AN ARM OF ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE, CARRYING OUT TERRORIST MISSIONS AGAINST SOVIET INSTALLATIONS AND PERSONNEL ABROAD. ALL STRANDS ARE NEATLY TIED TOGETHER AND THE RESULTS PRESENTED AS THE TRUE IMAGE OF "THE RELIGION OF THE 'GOD-CHOSEN RACE'".
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